

CLAIMS

Claim 1

We claim the Cable Ripper is a hand tool that cuts the outer sheath of a cable or insulated conductor lengthwise to a pre-adjusted depth utilizing a standard utility knife blade.

Claim 2

A hand tool according to claim 1 in which the blade cutting depth is finger adjustable with a unique finite zero to one – eighth inch adjustable mechanism especially designed to accommodate a standard utility knife blade.

Claim 3

A hand tool according to claim 2 in which the cutting blade adjustable mechanism is spring loaded to insure the depth will not vary during use.

Claim 4

A hand tool according to claim 1 in which the roller slide mechanism allows pressure to be asserted upon the cable or conductor to insure an even depth of cut along the length of the cable or conductor without the use of extreme force to pull the cable or conductor through.

Claim 5

A hand tool according to claim 1 in which additional standard utility knife blades can be stored in the handle or body of the tool.